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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**SECRET***Memorandum*

TO : Assistant Director for Operations

DATE: 8 March 1963

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FROM : Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - February 1963

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On 5 February Chief, FDD, met with Messrs [REDACTED]

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The possibilities for a mutual support arrangement between FDD and [REDACTED] were discussed. As a result Chief, FDD, agreed to provide [REDACTED] with selected unclassified [REDACTED] translations to save [REDACTED] translation costs and the unclassified FDD Survey of the Soviet Press to save scanning costs.

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A number of meetings concerned with machine translation took place during the month. On 6 February, Chief, FDD, attended a meeting of CIA representatives which was addressed by Dr. Piori and Mr. Tucker, Vice President and Director of Research respectively of IBM. The theme of the presentation was the IBM intention to continue linguistic research in fields of interest to the intelligence community.

On 8 February a meeting was held to discuss the proposed Joint Automatic Language Processing Center with representatives of MT research projects. The three agencies sponsoring the proposal were represented by Robert Dailey and Ruth Davis of the Defense Department, Richard See of NSF, and [REDACTED] and Chief, FDD, of CIA. The MT project representatives

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Standards. The invitees felt that there should not be a Center but a committee of five to nine members, whose chairman should be impartial yet knowledgeable in MT research, and whose members should include representatives of hardware groups and the President of the Association for Machine Translation and Computational Linguistics. No course of action resulted from the meeting.

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Chief, FDD, was briefed by [REDACTED] on 18 February concerning current work of the Thompson Ramo Wooldridge Corporation in the field of machine translation.

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[redacted] of Computer Concepts, Inc. briefed the Chief and Messrs. [redacted] of FDD on 21 February concerning the Autotran system for Russian-English translation using an IBM 7090 computer. FDD agreed to provide random textual material for a future demonstration of the system for Air Force and CIA.

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During the month Chief, FDD, addressed the four branches of the Division on past, present, and possible future developments in the Division. On 21 February the Chief, Administration Officer, spoke to FDD's section chiefs on the subject of the Division's budget. Section Chiefs were also briefed on current

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Special Reports published by the Division during the month:

Indications of Disaffection in the Chinese Communist Press (August-December 1962) - CONFIDENTIAL - Summary Number 4255, 11 February 1963.

Soviet Press Commentary on Peace and Disarmament (April 1961-January 1963) - CONFIDENTIAL - Summary Number 4318, 14 February 1963.

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Enclosures:

1. Statistical Report
2. Details of personnel actions

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